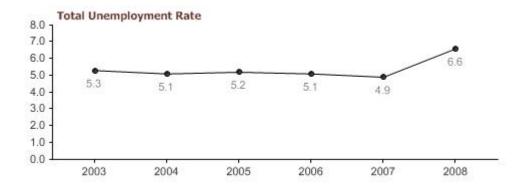
St. Joseph County, IN Highlights

Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2008						
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000				
Labor Force	132,758	-1.6%				
Employed	123,988	-5.2%				
Unemployed	8,770	110.7%				
Rate	6.6	112.9%				



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Estimates						
	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Area Rate	State Rate	
1998	137,591	133,971	3,620	2.6	2.9	
1999	137,018	132,999	4,019	2.9	2.9	
2000	134,949	130,787	4,162	3.1	2.9	
2001	133,390	127,399	5,991	4.5	4.2	
2002	133,433	126,318	7,115	5.3	5.2	
2003	131,756	124,725	7,031	5.3	5.3	
2004	132,597	125,805	6,792	5.1	5.3	
2005	133,939	126,932	7,007	5.2	5.4	
2006	134,788	127,921	6,867	5.1	5.0	
2007	133,337	126,831	6,506	4.9	4.6	
2008	132,758	123,988	8,770	6.6	5.9	

